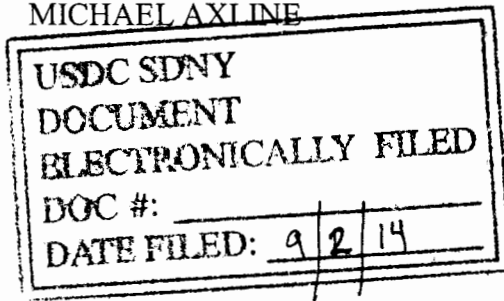


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Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin  
United States District Judge  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York  
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New York, NY 10007

Date:  
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Shira A. Scheindlin,  
U.S.D.J.

Re: *In Re MTBE Products Liability Litigation* MDL No. 1358, Master File No. 1:00-1898 (SAS)

This Document Relates to: *Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, et al., v. Shell Oil Company, et al.*, Case No. ~~04-CV-10470~~ (SAS) 07-CV-10470 (SAS)

**Parties Request for Extension re Service Station Matrix**

Dear Judge Scheindlin:

We write on behalf of all plaintiffs and the joint defense group to request a one-week extension until Friday, August 29, 2014, for the parties to reach an agreement on a stipulation and trial site matrix with respect to the Phase I trial sites in this matter. The original deadline set by the Court is today, August 22, 2014.

The parties have been meeting and conferring and have been working cooperatively on preparing a stipulation and matrix. The parties believe, however, that the issues for summary judgment and claims for trial can be narrowed further with the addition of one more week of negotiations.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin

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Very truly yours,



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cc: All Counsel (via LNFS)